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FM AMEMBASSY MONROVIA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5454

INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS IMMEDIATE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L MONROVIA 2316

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, LI, US

SUBJECT: CRASH OF MESURADO FISH CESSNA 401A -

FINANCE MINISTER STEPHEN

TOLBERT ON BOARD AND PRESUMED DEAD

BRUSSELS AND LAGOS FOR FAA

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 2155 HRS APRIL 28, CESSNA 401 A BELONGING TO MESURADO FISH COMPANY (TAIL NUMBER ECHO LIMA - ALPHA FOXTROT CHARLIE) CRASHED AFTER TAKEOFF AT GREENVILLE, LIBERIA. SIX PERSONS ON BOARD INCLUDING FINANCE MINISTER STEPHEN A. TOLBERT AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT. WRECKAGE HAS BEEN SIGHTED. NO SURVIVORS OR BODIES AS YET LOCATED. ALL PERSONS PRESUMED DEAD.

2. GOVERNMENT HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY CONTACT CESSNA AIRCRAFT TO REQUEST REPRESENTATIVE PROCEED MONROVIA IMMEDIATELY TO ASSIST IN INVESTIGATING CRASH (REQUEST PASSED CESSNA REFTEL). GOL HAS ALSO REQUESTED FAA SEND ACCIDENT INVESTIGATOR IMMEDIATELY INVESTIGATE CRASH.

3. GOL HAS NOT YET OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED CRASH AND HAVE EMBARGOED INTERNATIONAL PRESS SERVICES, ALTHOUGH WORD
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GENERALLY OUT AROUND TOWN. CESSNA INFORMED ONLY THAT

QTE HIGH LIBERIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL UNQTE ON BOARD.

4. REQUEST DEPARTMENT REQUEST FAA SEND ACCIDENT
INVESTIGATOR ASAP AND FOLLOW UP ON REQUEST TO CESSNA.
ADVISE SOONEST SO THAT WE MAY RESPOND GOL EARLIEST.
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